**FINANCIAL AGREEMENT FOR ERASMUS+ STUDIES IN PARTNER COUNTRIES**

**No. 2021/2022-LTKAUNAS08-SMS-OUTGOING**

**I. INSTITUTION**

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| Name of institution: | **Kaunas University of Applied Sciences** |
| Company (legal entity) code: | **111965284** |
| Address: | **Pramonės pr. 20, LT-50468 Kaunas** |
| Institution’s Erasmus code: | **LT KAUNAS08** |
| Institution’s coordinator: | **Jolanta Valiaugienė** |

Called hereafter **“the institution”** represented for the purposes of signature of this agreement by Director Paulius Baltrušaitis, of the one part, and

**II. PARTICIPANT**

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| Student’s first name, surname: |  |
| Faculty/Programme of studies: |  |
| Subject area / ISCED-F code |  |
| Place of residence: |  |
| Telephone number: |  |
| E-mail address: |  |
| Student’s personal number: |  |
| Nationality |  |

**Study cycle: First cycle.**

**Number of completed higher education study years: \_\_\_\_**

**Duration of previous participation in an Erasmus+ programme for studies and/or traineeship: \_\_\_\_ months**

**Student with:**

[ ]  a financial support from Erasmus+ EU funds, contract No.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

[ ]  other, non-EU, financial support (National), contract No.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
[ ]  a zero-grant under the contract No.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

[ ]  a financial support from Erasmus+ EU funds combined with zero-grant[[1]](#footnote-1)

**The financial support includes:**

☐ special needs support[[2]](#footnote-2)

☐ financial support to student with disadvantaged background[[3]](#footnote-3)

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| Bank account where the financial support should be paid: |  |
| Bank account holder:  |  |
| Bank name:  |  |
| Clearing/BIC/SWIFT number: |  |
| Account/IBAN number: |  |

Called hereafter **“the participant”**, of the other part, have agreed to the **Special Conditions** and **Annexes** below which form an integral part of this agreement ("the agreement"):

Annex 1. Learning Agreement for Erasmus+ mobility for studies

Annex 2. General conditions

Annex 3. *Erasmus* Student Charter (see https://www.kaunokolegija.lt/kk\_wp\_content/uploads/2020/10/Erasmus-student-charter-EN.pdf)

The terms set out in the Special Conditions shall take precedence over those set out in the annexes.

**SPECIAL** **CONDITIONS**

**ARTICLE 1 – SUBJECT MATTER OF THE AGREEMENT**

* 1. The institution shall provide support to the participant for undertaking a mobility activity for studies under the Erasmus+ Programme.

1.2. The participant accepts the support specified in article 3 and undertakes to carry out the mobility activity for studies as described in Annex I.

1.3. Amendments to the agreement, including to the start and end dates, shall be requested and agreed by both parties through a formal notification by letter or by electronic message.

**ARTICLE 2 – ENTRY INTO FORCE AND DURATION OF MOBILITY**

* 1. The agreement shall enter into force on the date when the last of the two parties signs.

2.2 Mobility period includes: [ ]  Physical mobility [ ]  Virtual mobility

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| **The start date of the mobility** *(the first day that the participant needs to be present* *at the receiving institution)***20....-......-......** | **The end date of the mobility***(the end date shall be the last day the participant* *needs to be present at the receiving institution)***20....-......-......** |
| **Departure date (in case of physical mobility): 20....-......-......[[4]](#footnote-4)** | **Return date (in case of physical mobility): 20....-......-......[[5]](#footnote-5)** |
| **The start date of virtual mobility 20....-.....-....[[6]](#footnote-6)** | **The end date of virtual mobility 20....-.....-.....[[7]](#footnote-7)** |
| **Name of the receiving institution and Erasmus code**: |
| **Address:** |

2.3. The participant shall receive a financial support from Erasmus+ funds / other than Erasmus+ EU funds for … moths and … days[[8]](#footnote-8).

2.4. The total duration of the mobility period shall not exceed 12 months, including any zero grant period.

2.5. Demands to the institution to extend the period of stay should be introduced at least one month before the end of the originally planned mobility period.

2.6. The Transcript of Records or Studies Certificate (or statement attached to these documents) shall provide the confirmed start and end dates of duration of the mobility period.

**ARTICLE 3 – FINANCIAL SUPPORT[[9]](#footnote-9)**

* 1. The financial support for the mobility period in total is **….. EUR.**

3.1.1. For the living expenses is **….. EUR,** corresponding to **….. EUR** per month and **…..EUR** per extra days.

3.1.2. For the travel expenses is **….. EUR.**

3.2. The amount for the mobility period shall be determined by multiplying the number of months of the mobility specified in article 2.3 with the rate applicable per month for the receiving country concerned. In the case of incomplete months, the financial support is calculated by multiplying the number of days in the incomplete month with 1/30 of the unit cost per month.

3.3. Additional financial support for the special needs within the mobility period is **…. EUR**. The reimbursement of costs incurred in connection with special needs, when applicable, shall be based on the supporting documents provided by the participant.

* 1. The financial support may not be used to cover similar costs already funded by EU funds.

3.5. Notwithstanding article 3.4, the grant is compatible with any other source of funding including revenue that the participant could receive working beyond its studies/traineeship as long as he//she carries out the activities foreseen in Annex I.

**3.6. The financial support or part thereof shall be repaid if the participant does not comply with the terms of the agreement**. If the participant terminates the agreement before it ends, he/she shall have to refund the amount of the grant already paid, except if agreed differently with the sending institution. However, when the participant has been prevented from completing his/her mobility activities as described in Annex I due to force majeure, he/she shall be entitled to receive the amount of the grant corresponding to the actual duration of the mobility period as defined in article 2.2. Any remaining funds shall have to be refunded, except if agreed differently with the sending institution. Such cases shall be reported by the sending institution and accepted by the National Agency.

**ARTICLE 4 – PAYMENT ARRANGEMENTS**

4.1. The Erasmus scholarship is paid (transferred) to the participant account in parts. Within 30 calendar days from the date of coming into force of the Agreement and **when the participant carries out OLS language assessment before the mobility period (see 6.1. p.)** The participant is paid the sum of **…EUR**, making up **70 percent** of the total maximum scholarship sum. In case the participant did not provide the studies period indicating documents in time, according to the sending institution's timeline and / or did not carry out OLS language assessment, a later payment of the pre-financing can be exceptionally accepted.The institution has 45 calendar days to make the balance payment after receiving the participant’s request for payment of the balance or to issue a recovery order in case a reimbursement is due.

**4.2. The participant's request for payment of the balance of the financial support (30 percent …..EUR) is considered when the participant:**

**4.2.2. Submits the online EU survey;**

**4.2.3. Provides the documents confirming the start and end dates of the mobility period;**

**4.2.4. Carries out the OLS language assessment at the end of the mobility period (see 6.1 p.).**

**ARTICLE 5 – INSURANCE**

5.1. The Participant has the mandatory insurance coverage valid for country of destination (for EU countries the European Health Insurance Card).

5.2. The participant has the recommended to have a complimentary (private) insurance coverage if the mandatory insurance coverage is not sufficient, especially in case of repatriation and specific medical intervention. Mark, if he/she has it: [ ]  Yes [ ]  No

5.3. The Participant has the mandatory accident insurance coverage, for which is responsible:

[ ] Student; [ ] Receiving organisation

5.4. The Participant has the mandatory liability insurance coverage, for which is responsible:

[ ]  Student; [ ] Receiving organisation

5.5. The Participant confirms that he/she is aware of all insurance issues and the health insurance fee is paid.

**ARTICLE 6 – ONLINE LINGUISTIC SUPPORT**

6.1. The participant must carry out the OLS language assessment before and at the end of the mobility period. The completion of the online assessment before departure is a pre-requisite for the mobility, except in duly justified cases.

6.2. The level of language competence in ….. that the student already has or agrees to acquire by the start of the mobility period is: A1☐ A2☐ B1☐ B2☐ C1☐ C2☐.

6.3. The participant shall follow the OLS language course, starting as soon as they receive access and making the most out of the service. The participant shall immediately inform the institution if he/she is unable to carry out the course, before accessing it.

**ARTICLE 7 – EU SURVEY**

7.1. The participant shall complete and submit the online EU Survey after the mobility abroad within 30 calendar days upon receipt of the invitation to complete it. **Participants who fail to complete and submit the online EU Survey may be required by their institution to partially or fully reimburse the financial support received. Failure to complete the EU survey will not be recognized for mobility.**

7.2. A complementary online survey may be sent to the participant allowing for full reporting on recognition issues.

**ARTICLE 8 – LAW APPLICABLE AND COMPETENT COURT**

8.1. The Agreement is governed by the law of the Republic of Lithuania.

8.2. The competent court determined in accordance with the applicable national law shall have sole jurisdiction to hear any dispute between the institution and the participant concerning the interpretation, application or validity of this Agreement, if such dispute cannot be settled amicably.

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| **Participant:** | **Kaunas University of Applied sciences:**  |
| *Student’s first name, surname* | **Paulius Baltrušaitis***Director* |
| **Signature:** | **(place for stamp/seal)****Signature:** |
| Done at Kaunas,Date:……………………………. | Done at Kaunas,Date:……………………………. |

The Agreement is executed in two originals in the English language, with one original being presented to each party to the Agreement.

**Annex II**

**GENERAL CONDITIONS**

**Article 1: Liability**

Each party of this agreement shall exonerate the other from any civil liability for damages suffered by him or his staff as a result of performance of this agreement, provided such damages are not the result of serious and deliberate misconduct on the part of the other party or his staff.

The National Agency of Lithuania, the European Commission or their staff shall not be held liable in the event of a claim under the agreement relating to any damage caused during the execution of the mobility period. Consequently, the National Agency of Lithuania or the European Commission shall not entertain any request for indemnity of reimbursement accompanying such claim.

**Article 2: Termination of the agreement**

In the event of failure by the participant to perform any of the obligations arising from the agreement, and regardless of the consequences provided for under the applicable law, the institution is legally entitled to terminate or cancel the agreement without any further legal formality where no action is taken by the participant within one month of receiving notification by registered letter.

If the participant terminates the agreement before its agreement ends or if he/she fails to follow the agreement in accordance with the rules, he/she shall have to refund the amount of the grant already paid, except if agreed differently with the sending organisation.

In case of termination by the participant due to "force majeure", i.e. an unforeseeable exceptional situation or event beyond the participant's control and not attributable to error or negligence on his/her part, the participant shall be entitled to receive at least the amount of the grant corresponding to the actual duration of the mobility period. Any remaining funds shall have to be refunded, except if agreed differently with the sending organisation.

**Article 3: Data Protection**

All personal data contained in the agreement shall be processed in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 45/2001 and Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data by the EU institutions and bodies and on the free movement of such data. Such data shall be processed solely in connection with the implementation and follow-up of the agreement by the sending institution, the National Agency and the European Commission, without prejudice to the possibility of passing the data to the bodies responsible for inspection and audit in accordance with EU legislation (Court of Auditors or European Antifraud Office (OLAF)).

The participant may, on written request, gain access to his personal data and correct any information that is inaccurate or incomplete. He/she should address any questions regarding the processing of his/her personal data to the sending institution and/or the National Agency. The participant may lodge a complaint against the processing of his personal data with the [national supervising body for data protection] with regard to the use of these data by the sending institution, the National Agency, or to the European Data Protection Supervisor with regard to the use of the data by the European Commission.

**Article 4: Checks and Audits**

The parties of the agreement undertake to provide any detailed information requested by the European Commission, the National Agency of Lithuania or by any other outside body authorised by the European Commission or the National Agency of Lithuania to check that the mobility period and the provisions of the agreement are being properly implemented

1. This option may only be applied in exceptional cases according to the Rules. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. An additional grant for a mobility participant with special needs is allocated by Education Exchanges Support Foundation. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. This option may only be applied in cases foreseen by the Grant Agreement ANNEX III – FINANCIAL AND CONTRACTUAL RULES. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
4. In case of virtual mobility write: not applicable. [↑](#footnote-ref-4)
5. In case of virtual mobility write: not applicable. [↑](#footnote-ref-5)
6. In case of physical mobility write: not applicable. [↑](#footnote-ref-6)
7. In case of physical mobility write: not applicable. [↑](#footnote-ref-7)
8. Indicated only the period for which financial support is allocated. If financial support is not allocated, write 0. [↑](#footnote-ref-8)
9. Fill in case of physical mobility. In case of virtual mobility write 0 EUR. [↑](#footnote-ref-9)